

## **United States Department of the Interior**

### BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Utah State Office P.O. Box 45155 Salt Lake City, UT 84145-0155 www.ut.blm.gov

IN REPLY REFER TO: 3809 (U-70057) UTU- 100

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February 26, 2007

### **DECISION**

Mr. Stephen DeLong
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On April 20, 2004 a request for a notice extension and a reclamation cost estimate was sent to you for Notice 70057, the Sunset/Rainbow's End site in the Bull Valley Mountains, Washington County, Utah. The St. George Field Office has received no extension request or a reclamation cost estimate in accordance with 43 CFR 3809.554. You failed to provide this information within the time frame given and the due date for this notice expired as of January 20, 2003. All operations except for reclamation are unauthorized (43 CFR 3809.335). A reclamation plan and schedule must be submitted within 30 days of receipt of this decision. The reclamation plan and schedule must be accepted prior to any work commencing on the ground.

On February 13, 2007, the authorized officer from the St. George Field Office, U.S. Department of the Interior-Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and personnel from the Utah Department of Natural Resources-Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining (UT DNR-DOGM) conducted a joint inspection on expired Notice 70057, the Sunset/Rainbow's End site near White Rocks in the Bull Valley Mountains, Washington County, Utah. The equipment, consisting of a generator, fuel tank, tank/skid, and other smaller materials need to be removed. The mine opening/adit needs to be closed and the open-cut filled were possible. Much of the access road has been washed out and reclaimed/reseeded during post fire stabilization efforts by the BLM. Areas of the access road that have not reclaimed or are re-disturbed by heavy equipment access are required to be reclaimed. All disturbed areas are to be contoured to slope and re-seeded with a BLM approved seed mixture. If reclamation is not completed by October of 2007, the site must be bonded by this date. Based on the 2 acres of existing disturbance and the equipment remaining on the site, a reclamation bond of \$10,000 is required. This figure is in agreement with the current standard UT DNR-DOGM small mine bond amounts of \$5,400 for the 1st acre and \$3,300 for each additional acre.

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If you fail to submit a reclamation plan and schedule for the existing disturbances at this site you will be in noncompliance. A noncompliance order will be issued and appropriate enforcement actions taken.

If you do not agree and are adversely affected by this decision, in accordance with 43 CFR 3809.804, you may request that the Utah BLM State Director review this decision. If you request a State Director review, the request must be received in the Utah BLM State Office, P.O. Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145-0155, no later than 30 calendar days after you receive this decision. A copy of the request must also be sent to this office. The request must be in accordance with the provisions provided in 43 CFR 3809.805. If a State Director review is requested, this decision will remain in effect while the State Director review is pending, unless a stay is granted by the State Director. Standards for obtaining a stay are given below. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

If the State Director does not make a decision your request for review of this decision within 21 days of BLM's receipt of the request, you should consider the request declined and you may appeal this decision to the Interior Board of Land Appeals (IBLA). You may contact the Utah BLM State Office to determine when BLM receives the request for State Director Review. You have 30 days from the end of the 21 day period in which to file your notice of appeal with the IBLA (see procedures below).

If you wish to bypass a State Director review, this decision may be appealed directly to the IBLA in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4 and the enclosed Form 1842-1. If an appeal is taken, your notice of appeal must be filed in this office (St George Field Office 345 Riverside Drive St. George, Utah 84790) within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

If you wish to file a petition pursuant to regulations 43 CFR 4.21 for a stay of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the IBLA, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. A petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of this notice of appeal and petition for a stay must also be submitted to each party named in the decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the appropriate Office of the Solicitor (see 43 CFR 4.413) at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

## Standards for Obtaining a Stay

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

- 1. The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied,
- 2. The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits,
- 3. The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and
- 4. Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Sincerely,

James D. Crisp Field Manager

Enclosures: Form 1842-1

Vcc: Susan White, UDOGM (S/053/032)

bcc: T. Snyder, U-923

Form 1842-1 (September 2005)

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

## INFORMATION ON TAKING APPEALS TO THE INTERIOR BOARD OF LAND APPEALS

### DO NOT APPEAL UNLESS

1. This decision is adverse to you,

AND

	AND 2. You believe it is incorrect
IF YOU APPEAL, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES MUST BE FOLLOWED	
1. NOTICE OF APPEAL	A person served with the decision being appealed must transmit the notice of appeal in time for it to be filed in the office where it is required to be filed within 30 days after the date of service. If a decision is published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, a person not served with the decision must transmit a notice of appeal in time for it to be filed within 30 days after the date of publication (43 CFR 4.411 and 4.413).
2. WHERE TO FILE NOTICE OF APPEAL	Bureau of Land Management St. George Field Office 345 East Riverside Drive St. George, Utah 84790
WITH COPY TO SOLICITOR	Office of the Solicitor 6201 Federal Building 125 South State Street Salt Lake City, Utah 84138
3. STATEMENT OF REASONS	Within 30 days after filing the Notice of Appeal, File a complete statement of the reasons why you are appealing. This must be filed with the United States Department of the Interior, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Interior Board of Land Appeals, 801 N. Quincy Street, MS 300-QC, Arlington, Virginia 22203. If you fully stated your reasons for appealing when filing the Notice of Appeal, no additional statement is necessary (43 CFR 4.412 and 4.413).
WITH COPY TO SOLICITOR	Office of the Solicitor 6201 Federal Building 125 South State Street Salt Lake City, Utah 84138
4. ADVERSE PARTIES	Within 15 days after each document is filed, each adverse party named in the decision and the Regional Solicitor or Field Solicitor having jurisdiction over the State in which the appeal arose must be served with a copy of: (a) the Notice of Appeal, (b) the Statement of Reasons, and (c) any other documents filed (43 CFR 4.413). If the decision concerns the use and disposition of public lands, including land selections under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended, service will be made upon the Associated Solicitor, Division of Land and Water Resources, Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240. If the decision concerns the use and disposition of mineral resources, service will made upon the Associated Solicitor, Division of Mineral Resources, Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240.
5. PROOF OF SERVICE	Within 15 days after any document is served on an adverse party, file proof of that service with the United States Department of the Interior, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Interior Board of Land Appeals, 801 N. Quincy Street, MS 300-QC, Arlington, Virginia 22203. This may consist of a certified or registered mail "Return Receipt Card" signed by the adverse party (43 CFR 4.401(c)).
6. REQUEST FOR STAY	Except where program-specific regulations place this decision in full force and effect or provide for an automatic stay, the decision becomes effective upon the expiration of the time allowed for filing an appeal unless a petition for a stay is timely filed together with a <i>Notice of Appeal</i> (43 CFR 4.21). If you wish to file a petition for a stay of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Interior Board of Land Appeals, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal (43 CFR 4.21 or 43 CFR 2804.1). A petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of the <i>Notice of Appeal</i> and Petition for a Stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the appropriate Office of the Solicitor (43 CFR 4.413) at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.
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Unless these procedures are followed your appeal will be subject to dismissal (43 CFR 4.402). Be certain that all communications are identified by serial number of the case being appealed.

NOTE: A document is not filed until it is actually received in the proper office (43 CFR 4.401(a)). See 43 CFR Part 4, subpart b for general rules relating to procedures and practice involving appeals.

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### 43 CFR SUBPART 1821-GENERAL INFORMATION

Sec. 1821.10 Where are BLM offices located? (a) In addition to the Headquarters Office in Washington, D.C. and seven national level support and service centers, BLM operates 12 State Offices each having several subsidiary offices called Field Offices. The addresses of the State Offices can be found in the most recent edition of 43 CFR 1821.10. The State Office geographical areas of jurisdiction are as follows:

### STATE OFFICES AND AREAS OF JURISDICTION:

Alaska State Office ------- Alaska
Arizona State Office ------ Arizona
California State Office ------ California
Colorado State Office ------ Colorado
Eastern States Office ------ Arkansas, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri
and, all States east of the Mississippi River
Idaho State Office ------ Idaho
Montana State Office ------ Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota
Nevada State Office ----- Nevada
New Mexico State Office ---- New Mexico, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas
Oregon State Office ----- Oregon and Washington
Utah State Office ----- Utah
Wyoming State Office ----- Wyoming and Nebraska

(b) A list of the names, addresses, and geographical areas of jurisdiction of all Field Offices of the Bureau of Land Management can be obtained at the above addresses or any office of the Bureau of Land Management, including the Washington Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240.

(Form 1842-1, September 2005)